



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Florida – Several Migrants Detained After Boat Comes Ashore

(U) Miami-Dade – A group of migrants has been detained in Northeast Miami-Dade. The group came ashore near Haulover Beach, near the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Bal Harbour. According to reports, over two dozen migrants made it to shore. A total of 21 Haitian nationals were detained, including one woman who was treated by paramedics and will be processed and sent back to Haiti.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [WSVN](#)

#### (U) Florida – California Man Arrested for Threats Against Congressman

(U) Pensacola – A California man has been arrested for allegedly threatening to kill US Representative Matt Gaetz days after the Capitol riot in January, court records show. Authorities said Eugene Huelsman, 58, was arrested last week in the Los Angeles area. He was indicted in May in federal court in Florida. Huelsman, of Thousand Oaks, is charged with calling the Florida Republican's office on 9 January and making a threat against Gaetz and his family. The indictment refers to Huelsman's alleged target only as M.G. but a spokesman for Gaetz has confirmed that the congressman was the subject of the threat.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [Associated Press](#)

#### (U) Florida – 102 Arrested in Human Trafficking Operation

(U) Tampa – The Polk County Sheriff's Office will announce today the results of a massive human trafficking sting that netted more than 100 arrests. According to a press release, 102 people were arrested during the six-day sting, which targeted child predators and criminals who either offered to commit prostitution or solicited prostitutes. A 17-year-old girl was rescued during the operation, authorities said.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [WFLA](#)

#### (U) Virginia – Ransomware Gang Claims Cyberattack on National Rifle Association

(U) Fairfax – A ransomware gang believed to operate out of Russia says it hacked the National Rifle Association. The gang, which calls itself Grief, published a handful of what appear to be the NRA files on a dark web site. The files, reviewed by The Associated Press, relate to grants the NRA has awarded. Ransomware gangs often post a victim's files publicly in hopes of spurring them to pay out a ransom.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [CBS News](#)

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Germany – Five Suspected of Planning ISIS-Style Attack

(U) Berlin – German anti-terrorism forces today raided the homes of five young people west of the city of Bonn who were suspected of planning an attack inspired by the Islamic State militant group, prosecutors said. None of the five suspects - aged 16 to 22 - was arrested as judges only granted investigators search warrants given most of the suspects are minors. "The suspects are accused of

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preparing for a terrorist attack inspired by propaganda material of the Islamic State group," the Public Prosecutor's Office in the city of Duesseldorf said.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [Reuters](#)

### **(U) Mexico – Migrant Caravan Expected to Aim for Del Rio, TX, or Yuma, AZ**

(U) Mexico City – The several thousand migrants traveling in a large group through southern Mexico toward the United States are expected to head to Del Rio, Texas, or Yuma, Arizona, according to two Border Patrol agents who have reviewed government intelligence reports. The 2,000-3,000 migrants departed the Guatemala-Mexico border heading north on foot late last week. The group is first headed to Mexico City, an 800-mile journey that will take weeks to complete unless the migrants can find transportation. At present, the caravan of people has reportedly traveled 25 miles in four days.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [Washington Examiner](#)

### **(U) Netherlands – Court Convicts Iranian Refugee on Terrorism Charges**

(U) The Hague – A court in the Netherlands convicted an Iranian refugee yesterday of preparing and financing terror attacks in his homeland targeting the Iranian government and its supporters. The 42-year-old man was sentenced to four years imprisonment. The man, whose identity was not released in line with Dutch privacy rules, was linked to the Arab Struggle Movement for the Liberation of Ahwaz, a separatist group in the Ahwaz region of southern Iran. The court said in a statement that the defendant was in contact with separatists who planned and carried out attacks in Iran, including torching banks, but also targeting people linked to the Iranian government. He discussed possible targets, offered financial support and urged separatists to make video recordings of attacks, the written judgment said.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [Associated Press](#)

### **(U) Papua New Guinea – Hackers Freeze Millions in Currency**

(U) Port Moresby – Papua New Guinea's finance department acknowledged today that its payment system, which manages access to hundreds of millions of dollars in foreign aid money, was hit with a ransomware attack. The attack on the Department of Finance's Integrated Financial Management System (IFMS) occurred on 22 October, according to a statement released by John Pundari, finance minister and acting treasurer. The IFMS consolidated the Pacific nation's budget and accounting for all tiers and departments of government onto a platform. It controls access to funds for the government. Pundari said the system has been fully restored but "because of the risk, we are playing safe by not allowing full usage of the affected network."

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [Bloomberg](#)

### **(U) United Kingdom – Man Convicted in Plot to Burn Down Mosque**

(U) Edinburgh – Sam Imrie, 24, was arrested in July 2019 after he posted messages on social media saying he was planning to set fire to the Fife Islamic Centre. Imrie was convicted on two charges of breaching the terrorism act. Imrie became "steeped" in right-wing ideology and started to "hate" Muslims after looking at extremist content on websites such as 8Chan and messaging app Telegram. Imrie posted online: "All my heroes are mass murderers." He was said to have "glorified" the activities of Anders Breivik - the terrorist who slaughtered 77 people in Norway in 2011. He also studied the exploits of far-right activist Brenton Tarrant who killed Muslims praying at their mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand, in March 2019.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [BBC](#)

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